

## **REMARKS**

This paper is responsive to any paper(s) indicated above, and is responsive in any other manner indicated below.

## **PENDING CLAIMS**

Claims 1 and 8-10 were pending, under consideration and subjected to examination in the Office Action. Appropriate claims have been amended, canceled and/or added (without prejudice or disclaimer) in order to adjust a clarity and/or focus of Applicant's claimed invention. That is, such changes are unrelated to any prior art or scope adjustment and are simply refocused claims in which Applicant is present interested. At entry of this paper, Claims 1 and 8-10 will be pending for further consideration and examination in the application.

## **REJECTION UNDER 35 USC '103**

The 35 USC '103 rejection of claims 1 and 8-10 as being unpatentable over Kawasaki et al. (U.S. Patent Pub 2003/0125854) in view of Bague (U.S. Patent 6,246,933) is respectfully traversed. However, such rejections have been rendered obsolete by the present clarifying amendments to Applicant's claims, and accordingly, traversal arguments are not appropriate at this time. However, Applicant respectfully submits the following to preclude renewal of any such rejections against Applicant's clarified claims.

All descriptions of Applicant's disclosed and claimed invention, and all descriptions and rebuttal arguments regarding the applied prior art, as previously submitted by Applicant in any form, are repeated and incorporated hereat by

reference. Further, all Office Action statements regarding the prior art rejections are respectfully traversed. As additional arguments, Applicant respectfully submits the following remarks supplied from Applicant's foreign representative.

The references cited by the Examiner, and in particular, Bague (U.S. Patent No. 6,246,933) relates to "TRAFFIC ACCIDENT DATA RECORDER AND TRAFFIC ACCIDENT REPRODUCTION SYSTEM AND METHOD". In particular, "a black box" is mainly used for recording the status of an accident occurring in, such as, a car and aircraft, so as to help determining the cause of that accident.

In the Office Action, the Examiner points out, in Bague, a timing and interval for recording image information or sound data to be recorded in the "black box".

However, Applicant's present invention relates, not to such a "black box", but instead relates to an information obtaining system, for using the information in the driving of a car, i.e., information useable/useful in car navigation. In particular, Applicant's invention concerns uploading/downloading of image information from other cars, i.e., using information, especially the image information, which is picked up by other car(s) or vehicle(s), utilizing a camera(s) mounted on that other vehicle(s) or car(s).

On the contrary, the "black box" shown in Bague, only records a car's own video information therein, but never teaches or suggests uploading/downloading of the video information between the other vehicles or cars, so as to obtain the road information for car navigation.

Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that Bague completely differs from the present invention. Consequently, Applicant strongly believes that Applicant's

present invention cannot be accomplished, over Kawasaki et al., in view of Bague, in spite of the reasons mentioned in the final Office Action.

As a result of all of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the applied art (taken alone and in the Office Action combinations) would not support a '103 obviousness-type rejection of Applicant's claims. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of such '103 rejection, and express written allowance of all of the '103 rejected claims, are respectfully requested.

#### **EXAMINER INVITED TO TELEPHONE**

The Examiner is herein invited to telephone the undersigned attorneys at the local Washington, D.C. area telephone number of 703/312-6600 for discussing any Examiner's Amendments or other suggested actions for accelerating prosecution and moving the present application to allowance.

#### **RESERVATION OF RIGHTS**

It is respectfully submitted that any and all claim amendments and/or cancellations submitted within this paper and throughout prosecution of the present application are without prejudice or disclaimer. That is, any above statements, or any present amendment or cancellation of claims (all made without prejudice or disclaimer), should not be taken as an indication or admission that any objection/rejection was valid, or as a disclaimer of any scope or subject matter. Applicant respectfully reserves all rights to file subsequent related application(s) (including reissue applications) directed to any/all previously claimed limitations/features which have been subsequently amended or cancelled, or to

any/all limitations/features not yet claimed, i.e., Applicant continues (indefinitely) to maintain no intention or desire to dedicate or surrender any limitations/features of subject matter of the present application to the public.

## **CONCLUSION**

This Amendment is being submitted concurrently with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and does not present any changes which would require further search, consideration or fees. Entry and approval of the minor corrections made herein are respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR '1.136. Authorization is herein given to charge any shortage in the fees, including extension of time fees and excess claim fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 520.43453X00) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Based upon all of the foregoing, allowance of all presently-pending claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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